

Joplin, Mo. 64801

Friday, April 30, 1976

Commencement scheduled for new football stadium

Commencement for 1976 prospective graduates has been set for 7 p.m. May 21 at the new football stadium.

Guest speaker will be Robert A. Burnett, a native of Joplin, who is president and chief operating officer of the Meredith Corporation.

Burnett, a graduate of the University of Missouri, joined Meredith in 1952 as a member of the advertising sales department of Better Homes and Gardens Magazine. He served successfully as a sales analyst, sales representative, Cleveland sales manager, and marketing manager until 1961, when he was appointed advertising director of the magazine.

In 1965, he was elected vice-president of the company, and in 1967, he was promoted as the general sales manager of the

magazine division. In 1973, Burnett was elected to his present position.

The Meredith president is currently director of the Iowa Manufacturing Association, the Iowa-Des Moines National Bank, The Inter-State Assurance Company, Des Moines. He is a member of the executive committee of Discover America Travel Organization, Inc., and is treasurer and a member of the board of trustees of the U.S. Travel Data Center. Burnett also is a director of the Advertising Research Foundation, Consumer Research Institute and Open House, U.S.A.

In case of inclement weather, the graduation ceremonies for the approximate 500 applicants will move to the new Performing Arts Center.

Crosswalk 'now unfeasible'

By TIM DRY
Managing Editor

Stiff traffic law enforcement is seen by many college officials as the most feasible method of providing a modicum of safety for students and faculty who have to cross Newman Road during the course of the day.

With Missouri Southern's residence halls and police academy situated across Newman Road from the rest of campus, it is estimated that in excess of 1,000 pedestrian crossings are made on the road each day. Many students have complained recently to college officials about the physical danger entailed while walking across four heavily traveled lanes of traffic.

IN RECENT YEARS there has been much discussion on the possibility of building a pedestrian overpass or tunnel to alleviate the problem. The recent completion of the widening of Newman Road from two lanes of traffic to four has brought the discussion to a head.

In response to the repeated requests college officials have been looking at several possible solutions. Minimum costs of building an overpass or tunnel for pedestrian traffic have been estimated at more than \$125,000. This cost has made such construction prohibitive to many college officials. Installation of a pedestrian controlled traffic signal, similar to one now in operation at the intersection of 12th street and Main Street in Joplin, is another of the possibilities being looked at by college officials.

MISSOURI SOUTHERN OFFICIALS have requested a 20 mile per hour speed limit on all Joplin city streets that adjoin the college. Installation of this speed limit followed by strict enforcement by city police is seen by many college officials as being the most practical of all the proposals.

Cars have been clocked at more than 60 miles per hour near the college on Newman Road and several students have reported near misses with automobiles traveling at "excessive rates of speed."

President Leon C. Billingsly noted at the most recent meeting of the Prexy club that, "Any decisions made by the college in regards to the pedestrian difficulty will probably be instituted during the next school year." Prexy club meets once a month and is made up of the presidents of all campus organizations.

Former Miss America says she's now at 'peace with Lord'

Few students attended as the former Miss America of 1968, Debbie Barnes Miles, began the kick-off of Missouri Southern's Religious Emphasis Week. Originally scheduled for the third floor of the Union, Miles and those few present moved down to the more informal and comfortable bottom floor of the Union. Although participation was small, Miles spoke confidently as she explained her relationship with God. "I feel greatly at peace



DEBBIE MILES

with the Lord" she said, "He gives me great confidence in everything I do."

The former Miss America said that after her reign she felt disillusioned and confused with herself. "Up until that point I had been satisfied to play the church game" she said, "but something was missing." According to Miles it was then that she committed herself to Christianity and God. "Now" she said, "I'm a different person."

She has since traveled to many parts of the country to tell her story. "It averages out to about two days a week" she said. "It does take a lot of time but I think it's worth the trouble."

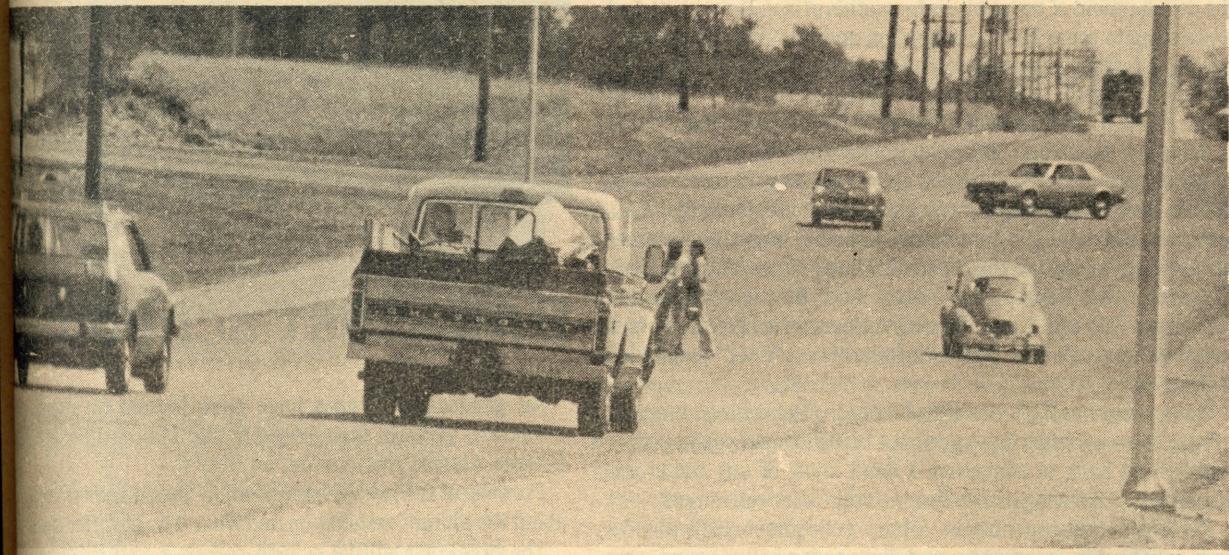
Miles also said she has been campaigning against the Equal Rights Amendment during her speaking engagements. "Even the proponents of the ERA in the legislature admit that it won't help women in job opportunities" she said, "so there isn't much good in working for its passage."

Though still active in many area beauty contests, Miles said, "The Miss America Pageant is not really a beauty contest. If you'll notice, not all the girls that get into the finals are all that good looking."

She continued by saying "that unlike the other national contests the Miss America contest is more directed toward talent and personality, not beauty."

The mother of two daughters ages three and five, Miles said she would like them to enter similar contests. "It takes something to walk down that ramp," she said.

After her talk, the former Miss America displayed her winning talent on the piano as she played many classical, pop and modern tunes.



INSTRUCTION ON THE widening of Newman Road is now complete and the road is open to a full four lanes of traffic. While facilitating access to the college by motor vehicles it has doubled the difficulties for those students who find it necessary to cross the road in the course of the day. (Chart photo by Jim Hamilton)

Miss Cleetis Headlee to retire this year

By MILDRED BURGESS
Chart Staff Writer

Speaking of her imminent retirement after thirty years in the language and literature department at Missouri Southern, Miss Cleetis Headlee summed up her feelings with a quote from Walden's final chapter: "I left the wood for as good a reason as I went there. Perhaps it seemed to me that I had several more lives to live, and could not spare any more time for that one."

Miss Headlee commented that her friends had jokingly pointed out to her that she should express some regret at leaving the college, her friends and her associates. She readily admitted that she would miss all, but believed it to be her very nature to look to the future. "I tend—a good thing, I'm sure—to look to the future; I forget the years as they go by and expect an interesting, exciting future."

Shortly after coming to Southern, Headlee was given the position of adviser to the college newspaper, *The Chart*. She served in that capacity for twenty years and, with the help of many fine young writers, she built a newspaper which has always been a credit to the college. Her belief, that "good communications help tie a college together," is seconded by *The Chart* staff today.

WHEN SOUTHERN MOVED to its present location she was asked to continue working with *The Chart* but she declined, saying, "Absolutely not! It's time for someone else."

Eugene Murray then assumed responsibility for *The Chart* for a time and no one could have been happier with the progress than Headlee.

"I was especially pleased when Richard Massa, associate professor of journalism, came to us," she remarked. "Not only is he a professional journalist but a native of Joplin as well. The Chart continued to improve under his leadership and in the spring of 1975 was named 'best college newspaper' in the state of Missouri. We were all so proud to see our paper win the award!"

Prior to accepting the job with the college, Headlee taught English, Latin and speech at the Joplin Senior High School through the regular school term and speech and English classes at Joplin Junior College during the summer. She remembers, "The decision to teach full time at the college was a hard decision to make when it was offered to me. My high school students did well and teaching them was a delightful experience. Nevertheless, I took the job with the college. Seeing people grow mentally is exciting and I am happy to say that those who did well in high school also did well in college and in their chosen professions later in life."

HEADLEE RECALLS 1946, her first year with the college, as a fascinating year. "The veterans were just back from World War II where they had seen first hand the value of an education. They had watched the educated man advance quickly in rank and they came home determined to get an education." Here she reaffirmed the thrill of teaching students of all ages who really want to learn.

After taking the job at Juco, "a small but good college," she became impressed with the value of a small college. She still feels that colleges can become too large for personal contact and admits that she watched its progressive development into Missouri Southern State College with mixed feelings. "But the growth of the college and my part in it has been a most rewarding experience," she hurried on to say.

Headlee's activities at Southern have been many and varied. She was head of the Division of Humanities and Fine Arts until that division was absorbed into the Division of Arts and Sciences.

"I worked for a time as coordinator of the four year English program with advisors from other Missouri colleges," she said. "It was hard work but I learned much about the making of a four year institution and I was grateful for the opportunity to be involved in such an historical occasion."

SHE WENT ON TO SAY, "I have just finished serving as chairman of a screening committee. Our job was screening all of the applications to fill the vacancy at the head of the language and literature department."

She served for many years on the special events committee where she was instrumental in bringing good entertainment to the campus. She is especially proud of the Vincent Price convocation which was here the last of February.

Headlee does not feel that students enrolling in college today are illiterate but she admits that the background in language has deteriorated in the past ten years. She believes this is partly the result of the competition any school has with television, travel and, maybe, the permissiveness of our day. "But schools

and teachers must take some of the responsibility for the deficiencies because some teachers have not had as much English as they should have had," she noted.

Continuing in this line of thought, Headlee stated that we learn our own language from the study of another. She expressed regret that we no longer offer a course in Latin at Southern since so many of our words are derived from that language.

RETURNING TO THE SUBJECT of the students of today, Headlee stressed, "These students have more poise than I have observed in the past. Their ability to talk with ease with strangers is remarkable and I feel this is definitely a great plus

in their favor."

Headlee sees the return to college of the older students as "Healthy for young students, faculty and the older students as well." She believes that education should go on all through life and that it may be done through extensive reading or correspondence schools, but it is done much more quickly on a set schedule such as in a school situation. "Most of the older students adjust well and surprisingly soon," she commented.

Looking to the future, Headlee remarked, "I still have many, many things I want to do and people I want to meet." The quotation from Walden seems very appropriate, indeed.

Robson, information director, will retire – but not entirely

By KAREN WILLIAMS
Chart Staff Writer

Ron Robson, public information director of Missouri Southern, retires this semester after six years with the college. But he won't be leaving the college entirely; he will return in the fall to help the athletic director with any overload.

Robson was born in Pittsburg, Kansas, and was graduated from Kansas State College where he was a sports writer for the college newspaper, *The Collegio*, for two semesters. On graduation, Robson taught English and biology while serving as coach at Anderson, Mo. He then served as recreation director of the junior division for the Tulsa, Oklahoma, Public Park Board.

IN 1937 ROBSON WAS a teacher and coach for South Junior High School, North Junior High School, and Joplin High School. He then was employed by the Joplin YMCA as physical director and boys work secretary. As such he taught swimming and gymnastics and planned summer camps. He then went to work for KODE in 1950.

"The manager-owner of KODE participated in activities at the Y," Robson explains, "so that's how I got to know him. He needed a play-by-play announcer for radio. He asked me since I had a coaching background."

Robson worked with KODE radio for four years until television came in 1954 at which time he worked combination radio and television until 1956 when he went full-time TV.

OF HIS YEARS WITH KODE Robson commented, "I had some exciting experiences being in the ground floor of setting up a T.V. station."

For many years with the station, Robson was host of noon-time talk show. And during these years he interviewed many big-time personalities in the news such as Ronald Reagan, former Miss Americas, Miss Universe, governors, and athletes.

"Of all my interviews, I think I enjoyed Joe Louis, the former world heavyweight champion, the most. He made a great impression on me. He was very humble," Robson said. He also met Red Skelton and Danny Kaye at Television City in Hollywood during a vacation-business trip as he was the go-between for CBS and KODE.

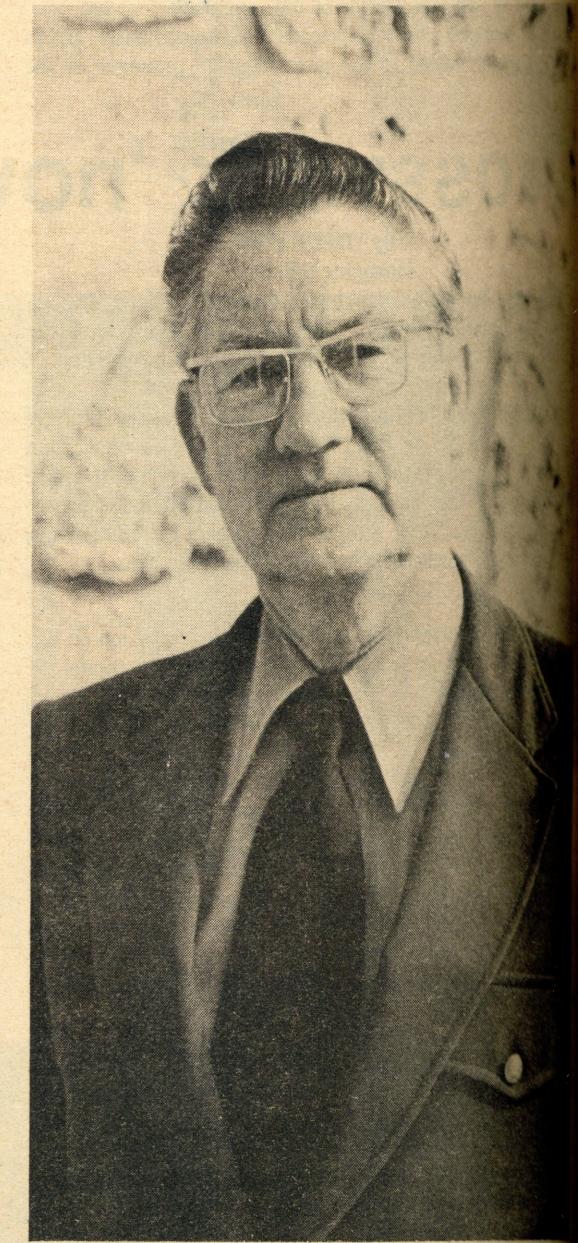
When he came to Southern, it was also to pioneer, this time in the development of the public information office. He said, "I had a yearning to come back to education and this was the closest I could get to it and it was the town I wanted to stay in."

AS PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER Robson is in charge of keeping the public informed concerning all activities and news on campus. "We contact approximately 22 news media offices daily concerning our releases. These include radio, T.V., weeklies and dailies. If something of special importance comes up, we may expand to the St. Louis *Globe-Democrat* and *Post-Dispatch*, the Kansas City *Star*, and the newspapers in Oklahoma City and Tulsa. All news releases that go off campus must go through the public information office," explained Robson.

Concerning his six years with Southern, Robson commented, "It has been a wonderful experience being around young people and getting back to education. I don't know of any better environment." Robson plans to live in Joplin after retirement.

For him it will probably be a busy retirement. He's always been involved in community and civic organizations, and over the years these have included the Joplin Park Board, the Joplin Salvation Army Board, the Joplin Council of Churches, the

official board of the First Community Church, the Joplin Board of Education, Boy Scouts Board and troop scoutmaster, the Joplin Chamber of Commerce, the Council of Public Higher Education, as commissioner of Southwest Missouri Amateur Athletic Union.



RON ROBSON

Breakfast scheduled

All graduating seniors have been invited to attend a free breakfast, given in their honor by the Missouri Southern State College Alumni Association, on May 5.

Purpose of the breakfast is to allow the seniors to learn more about the alumni association and what it has to offer them.

The breakfast will be held in rooms A and B of the College Union. Any interested seniors are asked to make their reservations at the Placement Office no later than May 3.

Dry named collegiate journalist of year

Dry, managing editor of The Chart, last week was named as recipient of the first annual Missouri Collegiate Journalist of the Year award. Presentation of the award was at the spring luncheon of the Missouri College Newspaper Association in Columbia.

The award was established to pay tribute to the college journalist in the state who had made the most significant contributions to the profession of journalism and who had distinguished himself in work on his newspaper staff.

Dry was selected on the basis of performance of duties as managing editor of The Chart "for bringing professionalism to college journalism," and for his "devotion to The Chart, the paper staff, and to his college." He was called "an outstanding example of what a college newspaper staff member is."

Coverage of high school newspaper censorship problems was a specific point for which Dry was praised. Dry's coverage of Joplin's Parkwood high school and the problems encountered there with publication of a story on teenage pregnancies was cited by

judges as one example of Dry's "distinguished reporting abilities." Dry also won first place in news reporting in the state for the coverage.

Dry was also cited for stories on Newman Road construction, and for the general news coverage for which he was responsible.

Material distributed to delegates to the luncheon said of Dry: "Through his service to The Chart this year, the newspaper has gained wide readership and a reputation among students and faculty alike, as well as among a surprisingly large number of townspeople as a comprehensive, informative newspaper....As a newsman he is a thorough and conscientious reporter who tags after a new source until the information is complete and who digs for news until he is satisfied that as much of the story as should be told is told....He is a complete newsman."

Dry, who is a member of Southern's Student Senate, and who is commander of the Sigma Nu fraternity, is slated to become editor-in-chief of The Chart next year replacing Steve Smith who has assumed the presidency of the MCNA.



TIM DRY

Smith new MCNA president

Stephen E. Smith, editor-in-chief of The Chart, last week was elected president of the Missouri College Newspaper Association in Columbia. Smith, a junior from Carl Junction, is the first Missouri Southern student to hold the office.

MCNA is an association of all college newspapers in the state. Currently 28 state and private colleges and universities in

Missouri hold membership.

As president, Smith will be responsible for setting up the fall workshop of the MCNA and the spring, 1977, awards day workshop, both of which are held at the University of Missouri in Columbia.

Smith has been a member of The Chart staff all three years he has been at Southern, and has won major awards for editorial writing and critical reviews.

He was formerly an assistant editor and associate editor of The Chart before becoming editor-in-chief this year. Last week in Columbia he accepted the award to The Chart as best college newspaper in Missouri class B competition and as sweepstakes winner for individual achievements in class B.

He assumed the MCNA presidency last week.

'Chart' named 'best in state'

For the second consecutive year, The Chart has been named best college newspaper in Missouri, class B competition. Sponsored by the Missouri College Newspaper Association, composed of 28 Missouri colleges and newspapers, class B competition is among those colleges having an enrollment of between 1,000 and 6,000.

Competing with newspapers from 11 Class B colleges, The Chart not only won the Best Newspaper Award but also won sweepstakes honors for individual achievements in writing and reporting.

TIM DRY WON first place honors for news reporting, Steve Smith for critical writing, and Pam Hankins for sports-features.

Dry's award was for reporting on censorship problems at Joplin's Parkwood high school; Smith's award was for a review of a "Crime of the Century" record album; and Hankins won for a story on Title IX and its affects on the women's athletic programs at Southern.

Other awards went to Liz DeMerice, assistant managing editor, third place in news for a story on the Joplin city council elections; to Jim Ellison, a third place award for columns; to Pete Graham, a second place award for cartooning; and an

honorable mention to Karen Williams, for a feature story on Sgt. James Campbell of the Southern ROTC staff.

IN TOTAL, THE CHART took four of the five highest honors given by MCNA, losing only the overall sweepstakes awards to the University of Missouri at St. Louis.

Judged on news content and coverage layout and design, editorial leadership, photography, writing and editing, The Chart was called "A highly professional college newspaper." The staff was praised for "an extraordinary product."

Special mention was made of articles on divorce, mental illness, the Ku Klux Klan, the Vietnam War, satanism, and water pollution of southwest Missouri. "Keep covering the college and its environment," judges said.

Judges were members of the University of Missouri-Columbia journalism faculty and professional newsmen. They commented on the "comprehensive mature news coverage" and "spectacular sports photography."

Colleges competing with The Chart were Northeast Missouri State University, Missouri Western State College, School of the Ozarks, Stephens College, Northwest Missouri State University, Baptist Bible College, Columbia College, University of Missouri-Rolla, Southwest Baptist College, and Evangel College.

ACP rates newspaper as 'professional'

Judges in a national rating service of the Associated Collegiate Press have cited The Chart, student newspaper of Missouri Southern State College, for "distinction" in all five areas of evaluation.

Placing The Chart in the top 10 per cent of some 1,500 college newspapers from across the nation, judges said of The Chart, "This is one of the most professional."

Calling the MSSC newspaper "overall a very professional newspaper that is informative, easy to read, and thorough in its coverage," judges have particular praise to the writing and editing, editorial leadership, and physical appearance of The Chart.

The key word in all comments from judges was "professionalism." Specific stories were repeatedly cited as examples of "top professional writing." Total coverage and approach to news was termed "professional." And one judge

wrote: "This is the most readable college paper I've seen in a long time."

In-depth articles which were featured throughout the year as a special "center spread" in The Chart were described as "thoroughly researched, professionally written" examples of editorial leadership. Cited specifically as examples were articles by Alan Schiska of Pierce City on divorce, and by Karen Williams on the Ku Klux Klan.

Layout and The Chart's use of a three-column tabloid were described as "attractive packaging of news," and judges praised the horizontal approach to page design with "its use of large photographs."

Photograph coverage was described as "great, consistently good" and special mention was given to the "professional quality of sports photography" by Kurt Parsons, Neosho, and Steve Harvey of Granby.



STEPHEN E. SMITH

This is 'goodbye'

This is the final one for the current year. Publication from The Chart office will be "The Red Turtle," due on the newsstands about May 14.

Editorial comments

Action needed

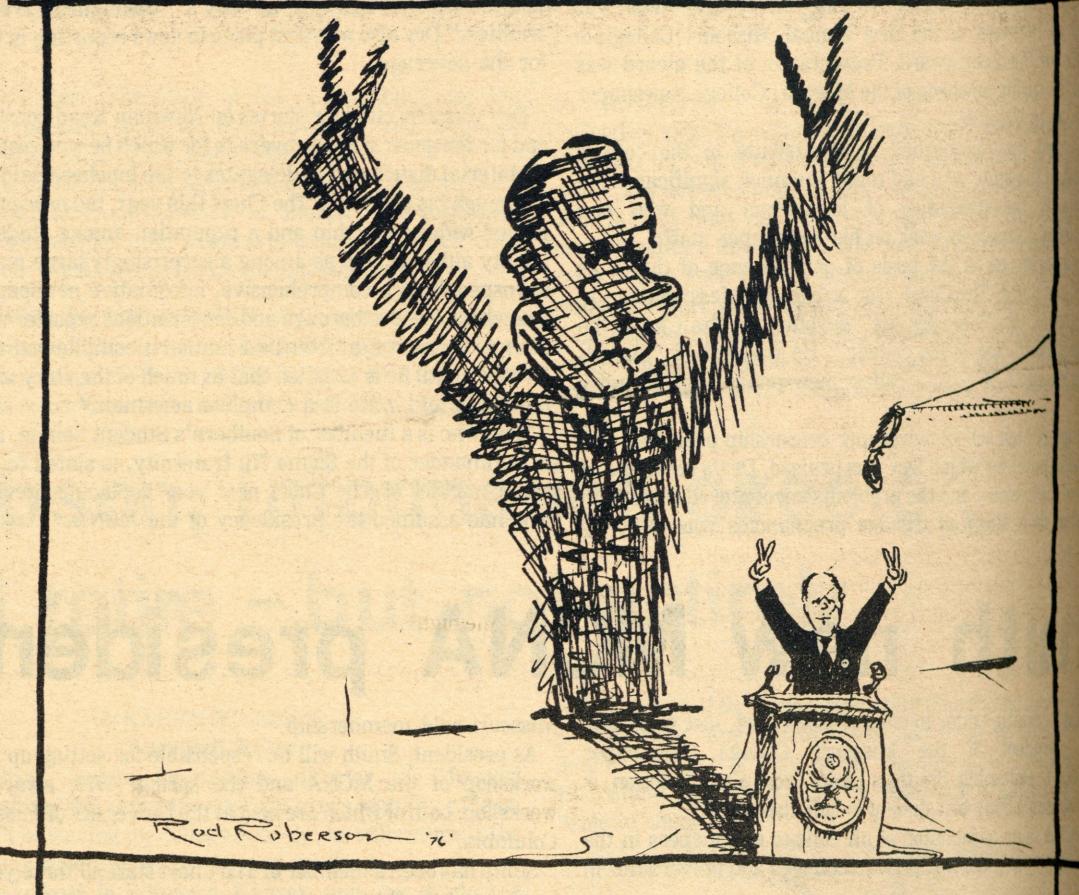
Now that Newman Road has finally been widened from its old two lanes of traffic to four, the problem of crossing the road on foot has become magnified. College officials here at Missouri Southern have received dozens of complaints from students who must cross the road as part of their daily routine.

Many students have reported near misses with motor vehicles traveling in excess of 60 miles per hour. Some students feel that it is only a matter of time before a pedestrian is struck and seriously injured.

College officials have been discussing for several years now the feasibility of constructing an overpass across the road where it adjoins the college in order to eliminate the possibility of a student being killed or injured while having to cross four heavily traveled lanes of traffic.

Costs of such an overpass have been estimated at \$125,000. President Leon C. Billingsly commented during a recent Prexy club meeting that "with only the small number of students who cross the road each day it seems less likely that we could justify such a large expenditure."

With an estimated 1,000 student crossings during an average school day it would seem to behoove the college to re-assess its priorities. With 1,000 daily possibilities for an accident it would seem that no expense should be spared until student safety is assured. No amount of money would be equivalent to just one student's serious injury or death.

RASHMOND

Columbia capers mark end of semester's work

By STEPHEN SMITH
(Editor)

The final issue of any college newspaper is usually a sad thing for, along with the relief of intense deadline pressures and the noisy clatter of this busy office, it spells an undeniable end to another small era in the lives of our staff members. It is fitting then, that the annual awards of the Missouri College Newspaper Association come at the very end of the semester. These awards are the Chart's recognition from state judges and journalistic officials and this year (as most of you may well know) our humble paper "cleaned up" again, sweeping four of the five major awards. The awards are held in Columbia, Missouri and it is necessary for the Chart to send a delegation to accept our laurels. Such a trip took place two weeks ago when Coach, Tony Dry and I made the pilgrimage to MU. This column might be entitled, "The Road to MU."

THREE O'CLOCK P.M. Monday. Dateline Joplin: Chart Managing Editor Tony Dry and I walk into a local beverage store to purchase our supply of "cokes" to drink on the long dry trip to Columbia, Missouri. T-minus five minutes before entering the interstate, Editor Stephen Smith accidentally destroys Tony Dry's ice-chest. This portion of the trip has hence been renamed "The Grand Coulee Dam, East." Five minutes later we pick up Coach at his small, humble home (five apartments in the Fay Hotel in Joplin). Coach refers to Tony Dry as a "homo."

FIVE O'CLOCK P.M., Monday. Dateline Rolla: Half-stupored from noxious carbon monoxide fumes leaking into Coach's limousine, we stumble into the Nickerson Farms of Rolla. "I'll pay for the meal, boys," says Coach. "Gee, okay," I say, "I'll have the filet mignons smothered in pork chops and topped with caviar." "He'll have an American cheese sandwich," Coach says. The waitress makes eyes at Tony Dry. Soon, muffled moans and sounds of delight emerge from the salad bar. We are subjected to a sickening sight — Tony Dry stuffing himself on Bleu Cheese dressing.

During the next hours, a giant mass of fog descended over Highway 63 till at times I conjured the image of our limousine slithering through the gullet of some hideous beast. "Reeeeeee, Reeeeeeee!!!!" comes a bloodcurdling scream. "Jesus: What was that?" I asked. "The beast has indigestion," the Coach replied.

TEN OCLOCK P.M. Monday. Dateline Columbia: We arrive at the Broadway Motor Inn, chosen because of its proximity to Missouri University. In order to save expenses we check out only one room, on the top floor, right above the Columbia city dump. "This is a very good room," the porter says as we take the elevator up, "It's the room where Dan Blocker died." "How nice," I reply. Coach opens the door to the room. "One of you can have a roll-away brought up if you like. "No thanks," I say, "I'll sleep in the car."

Although it is not listed in my diary, that night Chart Managing Editor Tony (Tim) Dry and I set out to tour the rainy city of Columbia, Missouri. We spent a full five hours looking for a place called Harpo's, one of the finest establishments in the city. Unfortunately we could not locate the place and ended up drowning our troubles in cheap beer in a little dive known as Ford's Theatre. We come in the motel room at three a.m. and tell Coach of our inability to find the goodtime goodies reputed to be in the college town. "You should have gone to Harpo's," Coach says. "Where's that?" asks Dry. "Just right next door," Coach replies.

NINE O'CLOCK A.M. Tuesday. Dateline Columbia: Now comes the really dull part of the entire sordid affair — the workshops, luncheon and awards ceremony. One of the major officials congratulates the Chart on winning the first in the state award, Class B, for the second con-

secutive year. We make small conversation. "Did you have any trouble coming through the intestines of the fog monster on the way up?" he jokingly laughs. Earlier in the morning Coach and I go for breakfast at the IHOP while Tony Dry remains "sacked out" in the motel bedroom. "Cin I help jyou, senor?" the Cuban waitress asks. We have some very nice buttermeelk pancakes, esta manana." I look at her for a minute. "Just coffee, for me," I say. "and make sure it has been boiled to kill all the wiggletails." "Si," she replies.

TEN O'CLOCK A.M. Elections for the post of MCNA President are held. I am called on to speak in my own behalf. "I wanna be President of the MCNA cause I think its a good post and will raise my GPA." My voice slowly rises to a crescendo: "We gotta be like Bernstein and Woodward!" I yell. "Power, power, POOWERRRR!" I yell. Final vote, Smith — 10 votes, opponent, seven votes. One of the members of the MCNA rushes to congratulate me for my election. "Oh, wow, its all really funky, isn't it?" she says. "You, madam," I reply "are a dork."

I could continue on with my story but that would be defeating the purpose. To be entirely candid with my readers, I'm just tired of making all this up. I have tried, this last semester, to provide this college with a bit of comic relief with this series of columns about our society and college and, along with bringing a smile to some of our faces (most of those faces, the other Chart staff members) I have also succeeded in almost getting myself lynched a couple of times.

So furthermore and in conclusion, I feel it necessary to formally congratulate our associate colleges on "a job well done," and convey to them our desire to "enter the thick of the fray" again next semester. Like Bill Faulkner once said, "I believe that man will not only endure but ultimately prevail." (Or something like that, I don't know exactly). Those are my thoughts exactly; specifically, not necessarily that man will prevail but at the least that he possesses the will and ability to do so.

In this, my final column of the Fall, 1975 semester, I want to say that, in my new role as a campus "big-boy," I hope to bring about a renewal of the drive and idealism of past years. To quote another famous Chart Editor, P. Clark, "I think I'll go to my room now." On that at least for the time being I bid you all adieu.

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Greatest democratic society has much to regret

By JIM ELLISON

Standing on a bow of a ship many years ago, straining our eyes for the first glimpse of the Golden Gate Bridge, we were all the same. Black men, white men, red men and yellow men, our causes were the same. We talked about our homes, our girls and wives, and food, and whatever men dream about.

There was a special magic that morning so long ago. We slapped each other on the back, shook hands and went our separate ways. Somehow, everything went wrong. Black men returned home, but couldn't sit at a food counter or drink from the same water fountain, nor sit on a bus with equality. Red men returned to desolate reservations, and the yellow men were still "chinks."

IN THE GREATEST DEMOCRATIC society in the world, a former president had to station soldiers, wielding bayonets, into a school building to protect scared little black girls who wanted nothing more than to go to school.

In a nation that enjoys a reputation as being the bastion of freedom, a black man, who had a dream, had to muster

a rag-tag army of followers just to sit at a food counter like any other normal human being. We have the strongest army in the world, but our President or elected officials can't walk the street without the fear of being gunned down.

Americans spend more money on chewing gum and candy than all the rest of the world combined spends on basic food, yet we have people dying from malnutrition and old people eating dog food and digging scraps out of garbage cans.

In a country that has a fair judicial system, we have accepted a double standard set of laws: rich man laws and poor man laws.

It would appear to many, that in our 200th year, we don't have a lot of things to celebrate. No one knows what our future really holds. Up in Boston, whites and blacks are at each other's throats like a pack of wild animals. Right here in the Joplin area, we have men running around in the night wearing hoods and sheets, just like the old days.

OUR OWN SECRETARY OF STATE is relegating us to

a second position in the eternal jockeying game we continue to play. Elections have taken the spotlight, but no one understands the double take. But what really hurts is that, in 1976, too many people still have.

Perhaps it is time for all of us to back off from our own little world and take a good hard look at our priorities. It is time to throw over old prejudices and work together with mutual feeling and understanding. It is time to make our Constitution work for everyone. To continue the route we are taking would be madness.

If common causes bring men together, then it is time to create those common causes, and get it on.

Standing on the bow of that ship so many years ago, sharing with other men, regardless of the color of their skin, was a good feeling. It is time to recapture that feeling and find a symbol to draw us all together.

We are children of the universe and our stay on earth is short when compared to the age of the planets that surround us. Why must we in a short life, expend our energy hating and hurting other people. It's our choice and only we, as individuals, can do what has to be done.

Search for peace, quiet elusive in college library

By PETE GRAHAM

At Missouri Southern, the word library is a misnomer. Traditionally, the word connotes a certain meaning, a feeling of quietude and solitude; of scholarly, academic pursuits. On our campus, however, the word is no longer synonymous with peace and quiet. Our library has become a student union annex. Maybe spring fever is responsible, but on any given day the library's decibel level reaches pool room proportions. It is eaves droppers heaven!

Believe me, it takes important and urgent matters to distract me from my books, but who can resist the tantalizing, racy, sometimes erotic gossip that is being shouted back and forth in our library. Ann Landers and Rona Barrett combined could do no better. I'm forced to

cut classes in order to hang out in the library! I might miss something. Samples:

"Beelieve me, it was the first time I've ever done anything like that. I was so-o-o nervous. I almost gave it away. I told Dufus I didn't feel well and he took me home about midnight. Hardtoe came by after I'd gotten in bed, about 12:30. He circled the block twice, honked the horn once, and parked around the corner. I climbed out through the window. All-i-l I had on was my jammies! You know, the one's with the feet in 'em."

"You know who I like? I like Brenda! You know, Brenda on Rhoda?"

"She's looking this way! God, what a fox!— I just wish she wouldn't pick her nose all the time."

"What I hate is pigs, man. I mean, I really hate pigs, man. You know, onk - onk!"

"I can't go to the pencil sharpener again. She'll know something's up."

"If he really loves me, reaally loves me, he'll call me. He can call me from his sisters place and put it on her bill."

"Listen buddy, Your shoes squeek. I'm trying to study over here. Crap like that disturbs me."

"I look just like Helen Reddy. People tell me that all the time. My hair used to be long, her's was long. I cut mine and then she cut hers! We even sing alike."

"I went to the Ranch last night. She was there. You should'a seen what she was wearing! Unbelievable! Unexpletive-deleted believable!"

"Gosh, I wish they had cokes in here."

Here's a bicentennial quiz

A student in Dr. Leland Easterday's language arts class brought this quiz to share with the class. The class enjoyed it and wanted to share it with the readers of The Chart. The maxims (proverbs), many credited to Benjamin Franklin's "Poor Richard's Almanac", are wise sayings. Each has a message for receptive ears. Our nation was built upon principles such as those expressed in these statements. Perhaps during the bicentennial year, we should pause and reflect upon the benefits promised to those who would seek after, even pray for wisdom, rather than material possessions. Here's the quiz.

Hidden away beneath the lush overgrowth of phrases are some plain, simple ideas which you know as common maxims. Can you pierce the verbiage and extricate the proverbs? If you score eight, you deserve a blue pencil. If you deliver them all, you deserve a blue ribbon. If you can unravel six of them, you needn't be blue.

1. A mass of concreted earthy material perennially rotating on its axis will not accumulate an accretion of xerophytic vegetation.

2. A superabundance of talent skilled in the preparation of gastronomic concoctions will impair the quality of a certain potable solution made by immersing a gallianaceous bird in ebulient Adam's ale.

3. Individuals who perforc are constrained to be domiciled in vitreous structures of patent frangibility should on no account employ petrous formations as projectiles.

4. That prudent avis which matutinally deserts the

coziness of its abode will ensnare a vermiculate creature.

5. Everything that coruscates with effulgence is not ipso facto aurous.

6. Do not dissipate your competence by hebetudinous prodigality lest you subsequently lament an exigous inadequacy.

7. An addle-pated beetlehead and his specie divaricate with startling prematurity.

8. It can be no other than a maleficent horizontally propelled current of gaseous matter whose portentous advent is not the harbinger of a modicum of beneficence.

9. One should hyperesthetically exercise macrography upon that situs which one will eventually tenant if one propells oneself into the troposphere.

10. Aberration is the hallmark of homo sapiens while longanimous placability and condonation are the indicia of supramandane omniscience.

ANSWERS:

10. To err is human; to forgive is divine.

9. Look before you leap.

8. It is ill wind that blows no good.

7. A fool and his money are soon parted.

6. Waste not, want not.

5. All that glitters is not gold.

4. The early bird catches the worm.

3. People who live in glass houses shouldn't throw stones.

2. Too many cooks spoil the broth.

1. A rolling stone gathers no moss.



Title IX

Federal act prohibits sex discrimination in government - assisted education programs

By LIZ DEMERICE
Assistant Managing Editor

Title IX, part of the Educational Amendments of 1972, which prohibits sex discrimination in federally-assisted education programs, is a regulation of far-reaching consequences, a fact often obscured in the furor over Title IX and athletic programs.

Title IX, which will affect the nation's 16,000 public school systems and nearly 2,700 post-secondary institutions, states in specific, "No person in the United States shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any education program or activity receiving federal financial assistance..."

Casper W. Weinberger, Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare, in a statement concerning Title IX, said, "The law...is based on the sound premise that, in a knowledge-based society, equal opportunity in education is fundamental to equality in all other forms of human endeavor."

Title IX is accompanied by a series of regulations which have the potential for ending sex discrimination. Weinberger states, "Much of the discrimination against women in education today exists unconsciously and through practices long enshrined in tradition. The regulations require that during the next year those in education begin a searching self-examination to identify any discriminatory practices which may exist within their institutions and to take whatever remedial action is needed."

According to information from HEW, Title IX affects five basic areas: coverage; admission of students; treatment of students; employment, and procedures.

COVERAGE

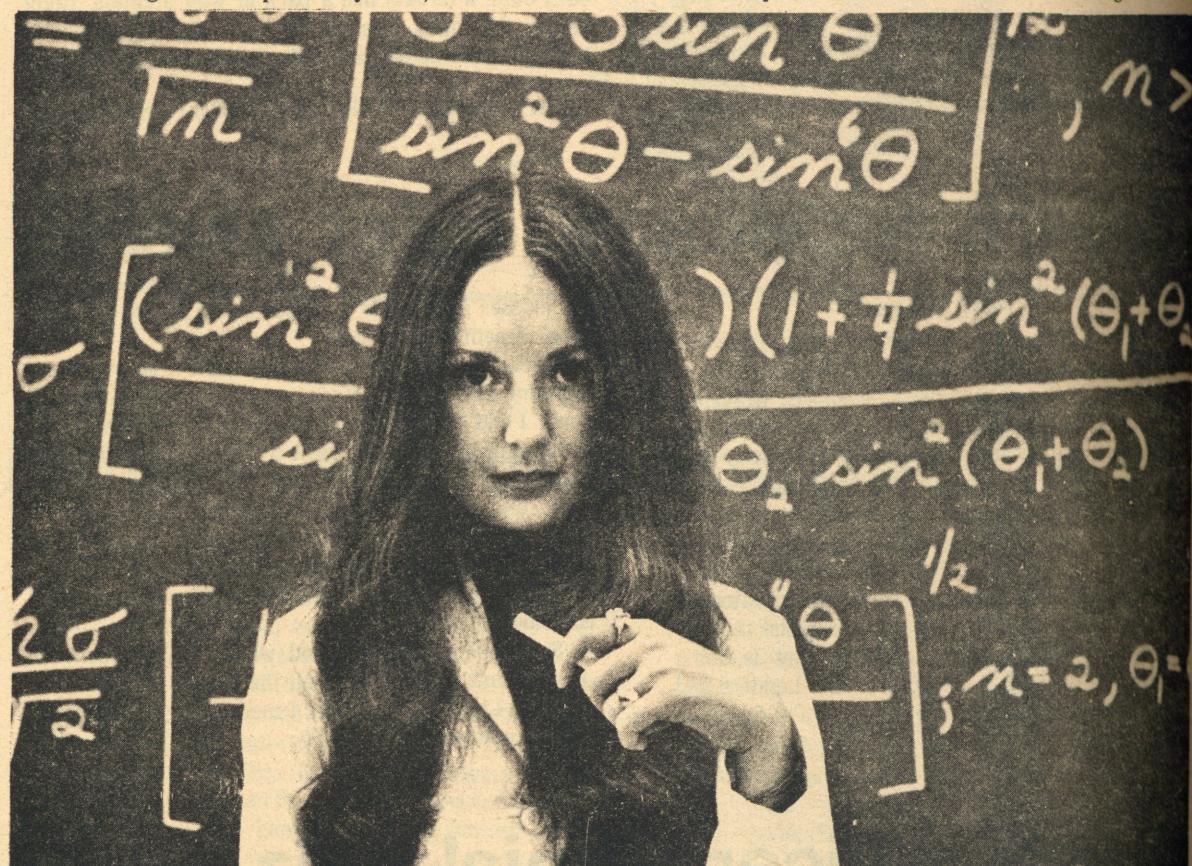
Basically, Title IX applies to "all aspects of all education programs or activities of a school district, institution of higher education, or other entity which receives federal funds for any of those programs." There are certain exemptions allowed under the law.

Admission procedures of recipient per-schools, elementary and secondary schools (except vocational schools), private undergraduate institutions and "those few public undergraduate schools which have been traditionally and continually single sex," are exempt.

But the HEW guidelines specifically state, "Even institutions

whose admissions are exempt from coverage must treat all students non-discriminately once they have admitted members of both sexes."

Military institutions are totally exempt from Title IX. Institutions run by religious organizations are exempt "to the extent compliance would be inconsistent with religious tenets."



Southern takes 'affirmative action' to comply

By LIZ DEMERICE
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"Affirmative action" is being taken at Missouri Southern to make sure the school is in compliance with the provision of Title IX.

"Affirmative action," according to the Project on the Status and Education of Women, "means taking steps to remedy a situation based on sex which was caused by past discrimination either by the school or by society at large."

At Southern, Judy Grant has been designated to coordinate efforts to comply with the Title IX regulation. She is currently heading two committees, one concerning Title IX and one concerning affirmative action. (Dr. Harold Cooper co-chairs this committee). The two are closely related at this institution.

UNDER TITLE IX, Southern must conduct a self evaluation to identify sex discrimination. This must be completed by July 21, 1976.

According to Grant, departments must be analyzed and must determine "whether they have found evidence of sex discrimination."

Currently department heads and volunteer faculty members on committees are meeting on a regular basis.

Grant hopes that an attempt will be made "to enforce the spirit of the law as well as the letter of the law."

THE LAW REQUIRES that all students and employees be notified of the appointment of a coordinator for Title

IX. Grievance procedures for both students and employees must be adopted and published.

The office of student personnel services will be the area most directly affected by the Title IX regulations. Grant said, "The real fact of the matter is that one of the most extensive searches will have to be done by the student personnel services."

The office will be responsible for analyzing the areas of housing, testing and scholarships. When asked if any problems had been encountered in these areas Grant said that, as of yet, none had been found.

Some revisions may have to be made in Missouri Southern's student handbook. "They suggest that you try to take out language that is sex biased." The handbook does make use of the generic "he" and "there could conceivably be some changes," according to Grant.

ATHLETICS IS AN AREA which has already been affected by Title IX. "We've appointed a women's athletic director to start with," said Grant. In addition ten new athletic scholarships for women have been established and women are allowed in the Southern Athletic Association. "Two women's inter-collegiate sports programs have been established," Grant noted.

"On the faculty side," she continued, "each department will be analyzed by rank and salary to determine distribution by sex and to make suggestions about any statistical pattern of discrimination and some goals for change." However Grant emphasized that "goals are not quotas."

As for non-faculty employees Grant said, "we have

representatives for the classified personnel on the affirmative action committee and on the Title IX Committee."

The institutional self-analysis required under Title IX requires a "phenomenal" amount of paperwork.

Last week Grant received a 140 page "check list" in the mail. It lists actions that should be taken under the program.

"The sad part about this is that, in order to end sex discrimination, volumes need to be written," Grant stated. The Equal Rights Amendment could accomplish many goals, such as those of Title IX, without requiring the extensive paperwork of many congressional actions.

THERE HAS BEEN SOME hostility regarding Title IX AND it has been evidenced even on this campus. One reason is that "everyone is swamped at this time of the year," Grant said. The extensive reading and research often irritate faculty members and administrators. As a result much of the value is lost.

Grant, an active supporter of women's rights, said, as she looked over volumes concerning the bill, "I wish I didn't have to read all this. I wish the people who need to would."

Despite the paperwork and red tape, Title IX serves as a foundation for action.

As Grant noted, "The good thing about Title IX is that it gives us something to argue about. It gives a procedure for dealing with a problem."

And at MSSC the problems will be solved. It will require a great deal of research and work, but it can be done.

Title IX in force

ADMISSIONS

Recruitment as well as admissions policies and practices are covered in Title IX.

According to HEW information, among the prohibitions are discrimination as evidenced in "separate ranking of applicants application of sex-based quotas, administration of sex-biased tests or selection criteria, and granting of preference to applicants based on their attendance at particular institutions if the preference results in sex discrimination."

The regulations also prohibit discrimination regarding marital or parental status. It forbids discrimination on the basis of pregnancy and related conditions.

This is important in a financial aspect. Very often married men are given more financial assistance because it is assumed that they are the head of a family. On the other hand, married women are often viewed as housewives supported by their husbands and, therefore, having less need for financial considerations.

Efforts must be made to recruit both men and women. Where discrimination previously existed, additional recruitment efforts directed primarily toward members of one sex must be undertaken to remedy the effects of the past discrimination."

TREATMENT

Although some schools are exempt from the regulations governing admissions, once students are admitted they must be treated without discrimination on the basis of sex.

Therefore, "recipient pre-schools, elementary and secondary schools, vocational schools, colleges and universities, at the undergraduate, graduate and professional levels, as well as agencies, organizations and persons who receive federal funds for educational programs and activities," are covered.

Specifically the section concerning treatment covers three areas: "(1) Access to and participation in course offerings and extra-curricular activities, including campus organizations and competitive athletics; (2) Eligibility for and receipt or enjoyment of benefits, services and financial aid; (3) Use of facilities and comparability of, availability of, and rules concerning housing." However this does not mean housing must be used. Single-sex housing is allowed.

In 1974 a congressional exemption was enacted for "the membership practices of social fraternities and sororities at the post-secondary level, the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Campfire Girls, YWCA, YMCA and certain voluntary youth services organizations." Federal assistance to educational institutions with such programs is legal.

Health classes are to be co-ed, except when, at the elementary or secondary level, the discussions deal exclusively with human sexuality. (Sex education is not required under the law, however.)

As for physical education classes, sex-segregated P.E. classes are prohibited except for classes during which competition in sports involving body contact—wrestling, boxing, basketball and football, for example—takes place.

"Athletics may be provided through separate teams for males or females or through a single team open to both sexes," according to HEW, if the sports involves competitive skill or if it is a contact sport.

Equal expenditure for separate athletic teams are not required, but an institution must provide equipment and supplies, without discriminating between the sexes.

The goal is to provide equal opportunity and still allow flexibility.

Where teams for non-contact sports, based on skill, are offered for one sex but not for the other, individuals of the sex for whom no team is available, must be allowed to compete for the team.

Tennis is a good example of this. If there is no women's tennis team, a woman must be allowed to try out for a spot on the men's team.

Other, non-athletic, organizations, cannot receive funds from an institution, if the organization practices sex discrimination. Certain exemptions have been noted previously. "However recipients continue to be prohibited from providing significant assistance to sex biased professional or honorary fraternal organizations," according to the HEW guidelines.

Recipient institutions cannot discriminate in offering any benefits, services or financial aid, although 'pooling' of certain non-restrictive scholarships is permitted."

Benefits and services, as defined by the government, include "medical and insurance policies and services for students, counseling and assistance in obtaining employment. Financial aid includes scholarships, loans, grants-in-aid and work-study programs."

Equality of treatment also governs facilities which must be provided without sex-discrimination. Separate housing based on sex and separate locker rooms, toilets and showers are permitted under Title IX. However such facilities, even though separate, must be made available to members of both sexes. Housing must be comparable for both sexes and there should be no discrimination as to the availability of housing. Housing rules must also be comparable for members of both sexes.

One area of sexual bias not covered in Title IX is curricular materials. The regulations do nothing to prohibit the use of materials which promote sexual stereotypes. The government wishes to avoid holding the position of "Federal censor." The government holds the position that censorship of textbooks should take place on a state or local level. For its part, the HEW will attempt "to provide research, assistance, and guidance to local educational agencies in eliminating sex bias from curricula and educational material."

According to the Project on the Status and Education of Women of the Association of American Colleges, a number of Title IX complaints in this area have already been filed.

EMPLOYMENT

All full-time and part-time employees in all institutions are covered, except those employed at military or religious schools.

The policies of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and the Labor departments guidelines are followed. The proposal covers employment criteria, recruitment, compensation, job classification and structure, fringe benefits, marital or parental status, effect of state or local law or other requirements, advertising, pre-employment inquiries, and sex as a bona fide occupational qualification.

Equal contributions and equal benefits must be provided for males and females for pension plans. Pregnancy, leave and fringe benefits for pregnant women "must be offered in the same manner as are leave and benefits to temporarily disabled employees," according to the HEW.

ENFORCEMENT PROCEDURE

The regulation includes, among other things, a procedural section calling for "compliance reviews, access to information, administrative termination procedures (hearings), decision, administrative and judicial review and post-termination proceedings.

If violations occur, HEW must first attempt to seek voluntary compliance with the law. If this fails there are two enforcement procedures. Under the first the HEW could terminate federal financial assistance by administrative means until the recipient ceases its violation. The second way is to utilize other legal action, "including referral of the matter to the Department of Justice with a recommendation for initiation of court proceedings." Under the latter mode of enforcement, the federal funds are not jeopardized.

In the past year, it was decided to utilize the procedural provisions for enforcing the 1964 Civil Rights Act (Title VI), until the HEW adopts more specific procedures.

In the past there has been differential treatment of men and women in all aspects of society. It is clear that equal educational opportunities can become a reality only if backed by specific legislation.

According to the Project on the Status and Education of Women, "The long and difficult history of the attempt to eliminate discrimination on the basis of race promises to be repeated in the attempt to eliminate discrimination on the basis of sex."

Since the Equal Rights Amendment has yet to be ratified, there is a need for Title IX. It is a "constitutional remedy" for the problems of sex discrimination in education.

Educational institutions should provide all citizens with an educational opportunity. Otherwise a portion of society is certain to suffer the effects. As stated in a 1954 Supreme Court decision, "In these days, it is doubtful that any child may reasonably be expected to succeed in life if...denied the opportunity of an education. Such an opportunity, where the state has undertaken to provide it, is a right which must be made available to all on equal terms."

Federal Laws and Regulations

Effective date	Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (Higher Education Act) ¹³ July 1, 1972 (Admissions provisions effective July 1, 1973.)	
Which institutions are covered	All institutions receiving federal monies by way of a grant, loan, or contract (other than a contract of insurance or guaranty).	
What is prohibited ¹⁴	Discrimination against students or others ¹⁴ on the basis of sex. ¹⁵	
Exemptions from coverage	Religious institutions are exempt if the application of the anti-discrimination provisions are not consistent with the religious tenets of such organizations. Military schools are exempt if their primary purpose is to train individuals for the military services of the U.S. or the merchant marine. Discrimination in admissions ¹⁶ is prohibited only in vocational institutions (including vocational high schools), graduate and professional institutions, and public undergraduate coeducational institutions.	
Who enforces the provisions?	Federal departments and agencies which are empowered to extend financial aid to educational programs and activities. HEW's Office for Civil Rights (Division of Higher Education) is expected to have primary enforcement powers to conduct the reviews and investigations. ¹⁷	
How is a complaint made?	Procedure not yet specified. A letter to Secretary of HEW is acceptable.	
Can complaints of a pattern of discrimination be made as well as individual complaints?	Yes.	
Who can make a complaint?	Individuals and/or organizations on own behalf or on behalf of aggrieved party.	
Time limit for filing complaints ¹⁸	Procedure not yet determined.	
Can investigations be made without complaints?	Yes. Government can conduct periodic reviews without a reported violation, as well as in response to complaints.	
Can the entire institution be reviewed?	Yes. HEW may investigate those parts of an institution which receive federal assistance (as well as other parts of the institution related to the program, whether or not they receive direct federal assistance). If the institution receives general institutional aid, the entire institution may be reviewed.	
Record keeping requirements and government access to records	Institution must keep and preserve specified records relevant to the determination of whether violations have occurred. Government is empowered to review all relevant records.	
Enforcement power and sanctions	Government may delay new awards, revoke current awards, and debar institution from eligibility for future awards. Department of Justice may also bring suit at HEW's request.	
Can back pay be awarded?	Probably, to the extent that employees are covered.	
Affirmative action requirements (There are no restrictions against action which is non-preferential)	Affirmative action may be required after discrimination is found.	
Coverage of labor organizations	Procedure not yet clear. Any agreement the institution may have with a labor organization can not be in conflict with the non-discrimination provisions of the legislation.	
Is harassment prohibited?	Institutions will be prohibited from discharging or discriminating against any participant or potential participant because he/she has made a complaint, assisted with an investigation or instituted proceedings.	
Notification of complaints	Procedure not yet determined.	
Confidentiality of names	Identity of complainant is kept confidential if possible. If court action becomes necessary, the identity of the parties involved becomes a matter of public record. The aggrieved party and respondent are not bound by the confidentiality requirement.	
For further information, contact	Division of Higher Education Office for Civil Rights Department of HEW Washington, D.C. 20201 or Regional HEW Office	



MISSOURI SOUTHERN'S BARN Theatre will soon be saying farewell to the drama department which it has housed since Missouri Southern's inception in 1967. "Giants in the Earth", which will be produced May 5 thru 8 will be the final production before the department moves to its new home in the new fine arts complex. (Chart photo by Jim Hamilton)

Speech prepares for record year

Speech and debate seem to be getting ready for a record year in 1976 according to Dr. D. H. Rhodes, director of forensic. A speech club is being formed while the PiKappa Delta, a forensics fraternity, is voting on whether to establish a chapter at Missouri Southern.

Four freshmen from the area will join the debate squad next year. There are Kim Mailes and Terry Dolence from Neosho, Chuck Good from Independence, Mo. and Kathy Pounds from Arnold. They will join the experience squad of Randy Hunt, Ralph Bush, John McKnight, Jim Russel and Kay Albright in competing in even more tournaments and tournaments further afield according to Dr. Rhodes.

Also individual events will be highlighted next year with Mary Lynn Cornwell and Dr. Rhodes building up a squad. Dr. Rhodes said, "Next year will be exciting and the most rewarding year in the speech area. With financial and moral support of the administration, along with experienced debaters and highly qualified freshmen, we will certainly give the other colleges and universities a run for their money."

Anyone interested in speech or debate, or in helping in these areas can sign up in a one or two hour workshop. One doesn't have to be a speech major to participate in tournaments, according to the speech faculty. If a student does want to sign up, the workshops are 1:15 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays according to Dr. Rhodes.

'Winged Lion' to be available in May 7

Missouri Southern's annual creative arts publication, "The Winged Lion," is completed and will be available to students May 7 or 10, according to Becky Spracklen, the magazine's literary editor.

In its fourth consecutive year of publication, "The Winged Lion" is a combination of poetry, short stories, and various sketches submitted by MSSC students.

This year's publication, according to Spracklen, will attempt to "combine specific artwork to the poems it best illustrates, so

'Cuckoo's Nest' works as novel

By RUSTY IRONS

In this day of apathy it is not often that a novel such as the work done by Ken Kesey, "One Flew Over The Cuckoo's Nest," appears to challenge our society's awareness and morality.

The novel concerns itself with the treatment of the mentally ill, while at the same time it repeatedly raises the question of who is really the mentally ill. It is a story told by a former mental patient released from his mental bondage by a fellow patient who dared to fight the system he saw imprisoning the men with which he lived.

R.P. McMURPHY, committed to a hospital for the insane after too many fights on a work farm where he had been serving a six month sentence. Boisterous and brawling, lusty, profane, and life loving, he quickly sees trouble in the form of a big nurse who organizes and sets up things in such a way that pushes the patients further down the road to mental illness rather than one which brings the cure. He is placed in a situation that is totally dominated by Nurse Ratched, a system that urges buddies to tear down one another in the false name of therapy. A system that creates problems rather than cures them. A system which uses electric shock and operations to cope with those who chose to fight the system.

R.P. McMurphy was not by any means a righteous man, but he was a man. A man who could not stand by and watch as other men were victimized. A man that found something worth taking the risk and losing his life for.

The striking thing about this story of McMurphy is that it is not totally fiction. The life and involvement of this man McMurphy is, but the conditions of the institutions it portrays is not. Mental institutions in the United States, are in places yet, today probably as bad as the one told about in this story. Though there are a great number of mental diseases and illnesses, the money spent in this area as compared with cancer research and other programs is just a fraction of a minute portion.

Our attitude toward anyone in the mental hospitals is also one of the things that should be changed. A man is very seldom cured mentally but is released with the record hanging over his head. One other aspect that the novel dealt with is the society of ours that has put so many committed in institutions such as the one in the book. Not only have many committed themselves for lack of being able to cope outside but many, as in the book, chose to stay no matter how bad the conditions rather than face our "normal" society.

THROUGHOUT THE BOOK the man through whose eyes the story is told speaks of the "Combine." The structure which robbed him, an Indian, of his pride, land and way of life. The same structure that the hospital staff was forcing the patients into the mold of it. In actuality the thing we label normality. The things that we think make a man a man, things that we think make a person important, and the things that make a man acceptable. It is these things that Kesey wants us to look at in our society and reevaluate.

Who are the insane? Is it those who the majority of us judge to have the inability to function in our synthetic society? Or is it ourselves who have been allowed to ignore human needs. "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest," gives insight into the recesses of the mind of a person considered insane. If you dare to read it for more than just the humor and action it contains and you look for truth, the truth about ourselves and our world, you may come away with a lack of that apathy toward fellow humans that now is so prevalent in our "normal" society.

"One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest" will probably go down in the next few years as a novel all psychology classes should read. Hopefully through this book many of the much needed changes will be manifested.

that it will lend itself as a whole to some degree of continuity.

This year's literature to be published in the book will consist only of poetry and the artwork will range from "very simple sketches to complex elaborate drawings," says Spracklen.

The pamphlet will be 20 pages long, with about 35 poems and 25 sketches.

Spracklen headed a staff that included Kathy Long, Karen Bradfield, Jack Hill, Paul Brown, and Eva Conyne.

Choral department schedules concert

Missouri Southern's Choral Department Concert for Spring will be held at 8 p.m. Friday, May 7 in the Phinney Recital Hall in the Music Building.

The 72 member choir, under the direction of Dr. F. Joe Simms will combine with the Collegiates and a men's quartet to perform the fourth concert of the year.

Members of the men's quartet will be Darryl Sims, 1st tenor, Terry Massey, 2nd tenor, Carroll Dodds, baritone, and Mathew Holt, bass. Accompaniment will be provided by Renita Massey. They will perform "All in the April Evening" and "Medley of Songs," by Stephen Foster.

Collegiates, accompanied by Joanna Pruitt, will sing "Out of the Range of Cupid's Bow," by Di Lasso-Parkinson, "Grant Unto Me the Joy of Thy Salvation," by Brahms, and "Music Here," by Butler.

Numbers performed by the Chorale will be a combination of classical and modern, with the last numbers on the program providing a Bicentennial touch, since they are all American composers, outlined Dr. Simms. The numbers are: "Arise, Shine, For Thy Light is to Come," by Boyd, "From the End of the Earth," by Harhaness, "The Omnipotence," by Shubert, "My Lord's Always Near," by Ed Raymond.

The next selection of songs were all selected from "Elijah," by Mendelsson. They are "Cast thy Burden upon the Lord," "He, Watching over Israel," "He that shall Endure," and "And then Shall Your Light."

The American composition section will start with "Sea of Forever," by Priddy-Alban, and "Show Me the May," by Lubbock-Porter, which will include a short solo by Daryl Esmond, Soprano. "Walking Lonely," by Lubbock, has instrumental parts that will be played by Lisa Wells on the guitar, and Archie Osborne on the drums. The last song will be "That Ragtime Piano Man," from the "Entertainer," by Ray Charles.

Director Simms commented, "This was an exciting year with the State Music Convention in Jefferson City raising us to a new level of proficiency for the January concert. For this concert we had a little bit of rebuilding to do because we lost 17, but gained 20. The Spring Concert should be very interesting and entertaining with a Bicentennial influence because the last numbers are by American composers. The public is invited and welcome to attend."

Community orchestra to perform

Missouri Southern's Community and College Orchestra will present their Spring Concert in the Phinney Recital Hall at 7 p.m., Tuesday, May 11.

The orchestra, under the direction of William Elliot of the Missouri Southern Music department, is composed of college students and faculty, area music educators, townspeople and outstanding high school students, for a total of sixty members. In rehearsal for eight weeks, the orchestra will present an hour long program of "Symphony No. 101" by Franz Joseph Haydn, "Polovetsian Dance," by A. Borodin, and selections from the modern musical "Oliver!" by Lionel Bart-Alfred Reed.

"We're looking forward to it. It's a challenge to do this type of program in this short of time. It's a real good way to end the year," was Elliot's comment on the upcoming concert and

Tri Betas to play part in 'Giants'

"Our Land," the theme for Joplin's bi-centennial activities, has resulted in cooperation between TriBeta, the biology fraternity, and the drama department, with their production of "Giants in the Earth."

"Giants," which tells the story of Norwegian immigrants and their struggles in settling in the Dakotas, will open at 8 p.m. May 6 and will run through May 8. A matinee will be held at 2 p.m. on the 8th. Reservations may be made by calling 624-8100, ext. 268. Before the show interested persons may meet at the Barn at 7:15 p.m., when members of Tri-Beta will conduct tours of Missouri Southern's nature trail.

The Tri-Betas are planning to convert a wagon, (which will be used by the College Players in the Bi-Centennial parade) into a concession stand. The stand will be located in front of the Barn and theatre patrons may visit the wagon at intermission and after performances. Cast members will meet with the audience after the show at the wagon.

According to Milton Briezke, the last event of the year for the College Players, the annual awards banquet, will be held May 12.

Unusual final set

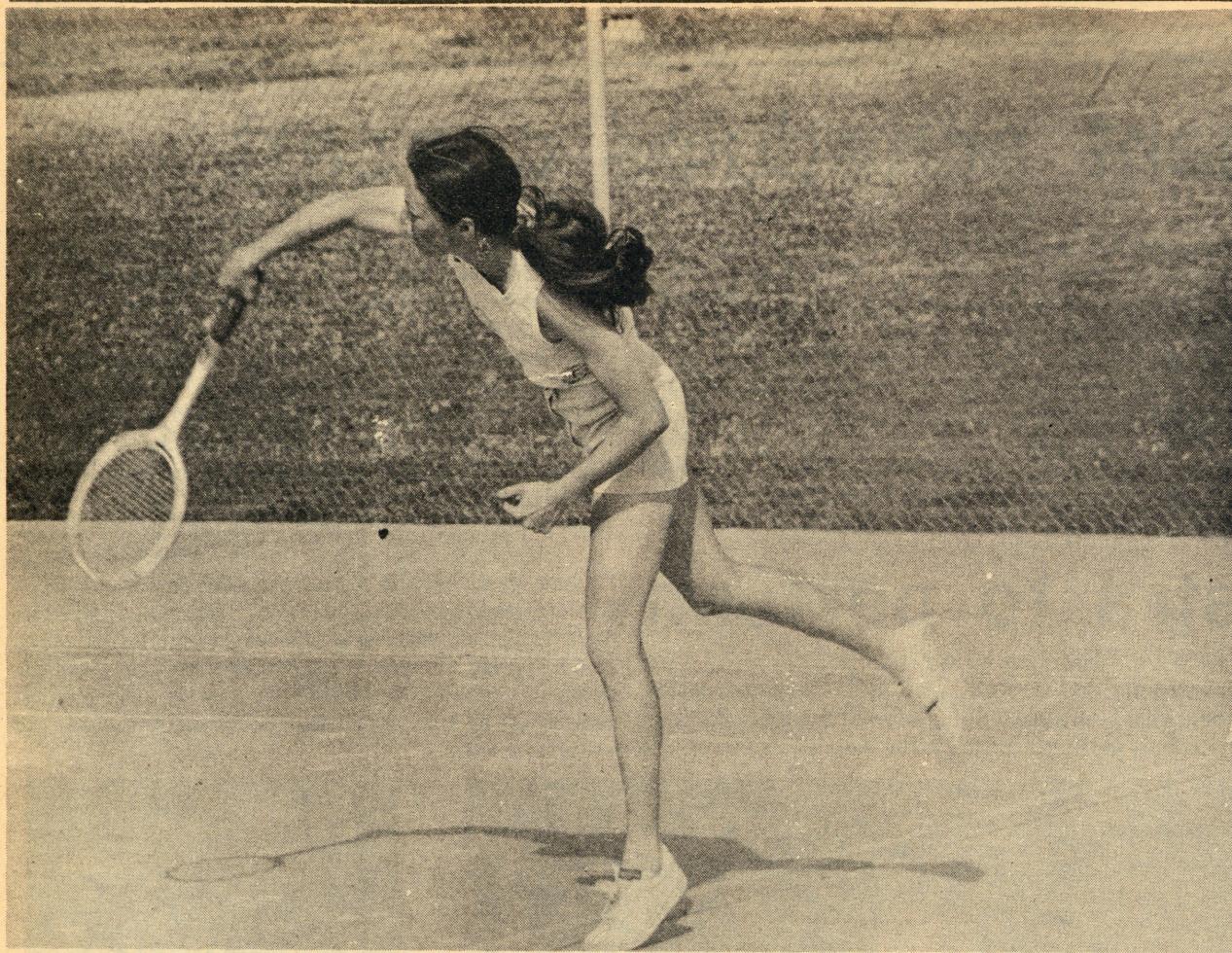
Sweat and study, paper and pens, mark finals time around the college. But some finals aren't just writing down everything you learned on a piece of paper. In Mrs. Mary Lynn Cornwell's Oral Interpretation class, the final will involve the students' getting up in front of an audience and showing what they have learned.

Each of the 14 students will pick a theme and find selections in poetry, prose and plays to perform to carry out that theme. Among the themes being considered among the students are holidays, isolation, women, inner-city and the mechanical society. Not all of the students are speech and drama majors. There are business majors, journalism majors and English literature majors, with a few undeclared. Cornwell commented that this cross-section shows that an Oral Interpretation class could help anyone learn to read the printed page effectively. She added that this also brings in new material because people with different backgrounds will pull from what they know and this brings in a combination of original, classical and modern.

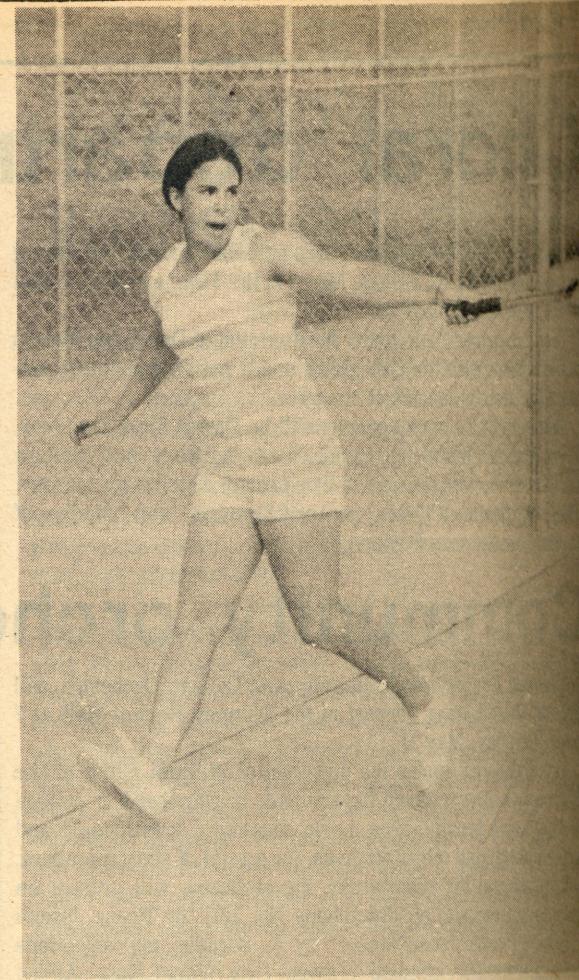
Starting at 7 p.m., May 11 and 12, the students will perform their 20 minute selection in the Barn Theatre, in front of an audience composed of people invited by students and anyone else who is interested.

Cornwell admitted, "When I told the students about the final in front of an audience, the biggest response was a groan." Grades on the final will be based on choice of material, knowledge of material, effort, and improvement.





MISSOURI SOUTHERN'S TERRI Dresh arches into a forehand smash in a recent match against John Brown University at the Missouri Southern tennis courts. (Chart photo by Ed Brown)



VALI MATTHEWS SHOWS her backhand style as she volleys with an opponent during Missouri Southern's recent match with John Brown University. (Chart photo by Ed Brown)

FCA comes face to face with apathy

By MARK ELLIOTT

In the past two years on the MSSC campus a Fellowship of Christian Athletes chapter has attempted to sink its roots on two separate occasions.

The first time the chapter just couldn't get started, but last fall a chapter was started again and meetings were held. About a dozen or so interested athletes showed up. It looked like something might happen.

The meetings progressed until Christmas break, when the group gave a Christmas party for underprivileged children at Lincoln School. "It seemed like we really had something," said Jim Strong, the chapter president.

"After Christmas break a meeting was held and hardly anyone showed up, and that was it. The rest was all downhill," he commented.

Strong was questioned about the reasons behind the chapter's failure to start. "I think the main reason was the apathetic attitude that spreads like disease on the campus," he said. "No one wants to accept any responsibility whatsoever."

"Of course, we did have the people who wanted to take the bull by the horns and get FCA started, but two or three people are just not enough."

Strong is a senior from Abbeyville, Kan., majoring in Physical Education. He played football at Hutchinson Community College in Kansas. He transferred to MSSC in 1974 where he played defensive for the Lions and lettered both years. He currently is an assistant coach helping with wide receivers. He attended a leadership conference at Colorado State University last summer with the national FCA organization.

"I really saw how important FCA was to an athletic program

then," he commented. "It seems like it rounds out the individual athlete's life while giving him some spiritual backing." Strong went on, "It's really been good for me. I wish everyone could have the experiences I have had and then they could understand why FCA is important to the athletic program."

Strong then further commented on apathy as a problem in some of the other programs. "That plain old 'I don't care' attitude really hurts our school programs," he said.

"It really showed during football season last fall. We had a brand new stadium and a winning tradition and we didn't fill it once all year long." Strong then went on to say that he felt apathy reigned supreme in the general Joplin area. "I really

don't think apathy is just a problem here. It seems to be a nationwide problem."

"Apathy could eat up our athletic program," Strong said. "It could spread among the players and that would be it for your program. That's why FCA is important," he stated. "We need that little something to keep our players aroused and alert. FCA would help them to think and have a good time on top of that."

Strong is not the only club leader on campus who has been hit with the apathy wagon. Many other organizations have folded because of it. What can be done? "We need to get a big electric cattle prod and just shock some life into some people and then they would show some signs of movement," Strong answered.

Soccer squad to face top teams

Next year the MSSC soccer team will face a tough schedule against Missouri's top teams.

The 1976 season starts on Sept. 6, when Southern hosts the University of Missouri at Rolla. The season ends on Oct. 3, when Southern meets Philander Smith College. District 16 play-offs begin Nov. 6.

Before the season begins this fall the Southern soccer team, recently granted varsity status, is looking for a manager to handle the team for the year.

Head coach Harold Bodon would like anyone interested to see him as soon as possible. He can be reached in L-17.

Monday, 9-6 — UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI ROLLA 2:00 HOME.

Saturday, 9-11 — ROCKHURST COLLEGE 1:30 HOME
 Tuesday, 9-14 — WILLIAM JEWELL COLLEGE 4:00 AWAY
 Friday, 9-17 — LINDENWOOD COLLEGE 4:00 AWAY
 Saturday, 9-18 — MARYVILLE COLLEGE 12:00 AWAY
 Tuesday, 9-21 — SOUTHWEST MISSOURI STATE 3:00 HOME

Saturday, 9-25 — BENEDICTINE COLLEGE 1:30 AWAY
 Tuesday, 9-28 — WILLIAM JEWELL COLLEGE 4:00 HOME
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Friday, 10-1 — STATE FAIR CC vs. MARYVILLE 1:00 HOME; M.S.S.C. vs PARKS 1:00 HOME; STATE FAIR CC vs M.S.S.C. 3:00 HOME.

Saturday, 10-2 — PARKS vs. MARYVILLE 10:00 HOME; State fair cc vs PARKS 12:00 HOME; MARYVILLE vs. M.S.S.C. 2:00 HOME.

Friday, 10-18 — WESTMINSTER COLLEGE 3:00 AWAY
 Saturday, 10-9 — COLUMBIA COLLEGE 1:00 AWAY
 Tuesday, 10-12 — SOUTHWEST MISSOURI STATE — 3:00 AWAY

Friday, 10-15 — PARKS COLLEGE — 5:55 AWAY
 Saturday, 10-16 — HARRIS TEACHERS COLLEGE 1:30 AWAY

Friday, 10-22 — CENTRAL METHODIST COLLEGE 3:30 AWAY
 Saturday, 10-23 — UNIV. OF MISSOURI ST. LOUIS 1:30 AWAY

Saturday, 10-30 — PHILANDER SMITH COLLEGE 1:30 HOME

Saturday, 11-16 — DISTRICT 16 PLAY-OFFS

Garner named basketball coach

Missouri Southern's basketball Lions will have a new helmsman next season with the announcement made last week that Gary Garner, former Trenton, Mo., Junior College coach, has signed a one-year contract with the school.

Garner, who will officially take over his new post on July 1, is filling the vacancy left by former head coach R.C. Shipley, who resigned at the conclusion of the 1975-76 season.

Garner brings with him some impressive credentials as both a coach and a player. Garner starred for West Plain High School while earning all-state honors, lettered three years at Missouri University and was selected All-Big Eight in 1965.

Garner began his coaching career as assistant freshman coach at Missouri University in 1965-67. He served as athletic director and basketball coach at Kemper Military School in

1967. In 1971 he was appointed athletic director and head coach at Trenton, where his teams recorded 90 victories against 45 losses during his tenure.

In 1974 while coaching at Trenton, Garner was named Region 16 Junior College Coach of the year.

In comments at his signing, Garner stressed the need for a big center on next year's team. He said the Lions will employ a man-to-man defense most of the time and will play ball control on offense unless there is an opportunity for the fast-break.

Garner says he feels strongly about discipline for his team both on and off the court. The Lions, playing under new head coach Garner, will dress appropriately, attend classes, make their grades and be well-disciplined.

Coach Gardner says he plans to begin recruiting immediately.

ROTC unit adds new officer to staff

By KAREN WILLIAMS

Missouri Southern's ROTC department has a new addition. Capt. Guy Thomas, new assistant professor of military science. A native of Charlotte, North Carolina, Capt. Thomas will instruct the junior and senior cadets in advanced ROTC courses.

Capt. Thomas has been in military service for 10 years since his enlistment in November, 1966, after three years at Belmont Abbey College in North Carolina. He was promoted to second lieutenant on graduation from Officer Candidate School at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, which he attended from February, 1967, to September, 1967. Until July of 1968 Capt. Thomas remained in Fort Sill as a forward observer, which involved training in artillery, guns and target adjustment. He was then stationed in the demilitarized zone between North and South Vietnam from August, 1968, to August, 1969. His responsibilities included returning back to the artillery unit to guide them to the North Vietnamese strongholds and also operating the guns himself. While serving in this combat zone, Capt. Thomas received two Bronze Star Medals, one for valor and one for meritorious service, the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry, and a Meritorious Unit Commendation for unit performance.

DURING THIS TIME he was promoted to first lieutenant. Thomas returned to the states in October, 1969, to Fort Knox, Kentucky, where he attended Motor Officers School and was promoted to captain. On completion of the maintenance supervisors course in December, 1969, he traveled to Ansbach, Germany, where he became commander of the Honest John Rocket Battery. During this time he was in charge of training the battalion to fire rockets. In April, 1971, Thomas moved to the Operations Office where he was in charge of planning the battalion's maneuvers and rocket training. He was also in charge of the battalion's move from Ansbach to Herzogenrath. From May, 1972, to December, 1972, Capt. Thomas became logistics officer and supervised the maintenance and resupply of rations and fuel to the Honest John Battery. For superior service while in Germany, Capt. Thomas received the Army Commendation

Medal. Thomas and his wife returned to Fort Sill in January, 1973, where he attended the Field Artillery Officer Advanced Course and received training in tactics and gunnery. Thomas returned to Belmont Abbey College in North Carolina and received his B.A. in military science. From January, 1975, to February, 1976, he was stationed in Istanbul, Turkey, as headquarters detachment commander.

During this time he was responsible for administrative and logistic support to subordinate NATO detachments. His battalion trained the Turkish forces in military expertise. For his service in Turkey, Thomas was awarded the Meritorious Service Medal. Thomas then requested ROTC duty and was sent to Southern as the ROTC program expands.

Explaining what prompted him to enlist, Capt. Thomas says: "I was sent to Ecuador, South America, on a student exchange for two months after my junior year at Belmont. During this time I contacted hepatitis and so was forbidden to work or attend school. So I enlisted." The Captain went on to say he had the opportunity to meet many politically prominent leaders while in South America, such as Carlo Plaza, president of the Organization of American States, and Valesco Berra, past president of Ecuador.

DURING HIS MILITARY CAREER, Capt. Thomas has traveled through the Near East, England, France, Hawaii, Japan, and Austria. "I'd say my favorite city, if I had to choose one would be London—there is always something going on there. My favorite country would have to be Germany—I really enjoyed it," comments Thomas.

Capt. Thomas added that his most interesting experience in the military occurred while he was in South America. "I ran into my future Commander at the embassy in South America. We were interviewing some people and gave him a hard time. About 18 months later, I found out he was my new Commander. I couldn't believe it. I asked him about it later, and he said he had forgotten all about the incident," Capt. Thomas related with a smile.

Capt. Thomas said his wife plans to finish her degree in art at

Paul Jensen to retire this spring

Paul Jensen, associate professor of mathematics, will be retiring this spring, after 16 years with MSSC. Jensen received his master's degree and his Ed.S. at Kansas State College of Pittsburg. He has also studied at Clark University in Massachusetts, the University of Minnesota at Minneapolis and the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville. Much of this graduate work was done in probability and statistics and in electrical engineering.

From the middle 1940's to the late 1950's Jensen was employed by Eagle-Picher Industries. He started at the Galena, Kan., plant and was soon promoted. Eventually he was told he was needed in Joplin in the research department. He left Eagle-Picher in the '50s to prepare to teach. He was employed at North Junior High School for two years while taking courses toward his master's.

When he came to Joplin Junior College there were only two math teachers. The physics department was short of teachers at that time and Jensen was asked to teach Introduction to Electrical Engineering. Eventually the physics department added new personnel and Jensen returned to teaching math alone.

Jensen became involved in the college drama department while he was sharing an office with Milton Brietzke, associate professor, in 1961 at Joplin Junior College. Brietzke asked Jensen to help make a tape and edit it for one of the shows. Jensen said, "I edited it in the office in front of him to show him how much trouble it was with the equipment available." Much of the equipment used now at the Barn belongs to Jensen.

Originally from El Reno, Okla., he graduated from Oklahoma City University in 1931, and taught for one year in an Oklahoma high school. One of his interests is music, however, and for 10 years, from 1932 to 1942, he traveled around the country trying to make a living with a professional band. "We nearly starved," he recalls. Jensen has played saxophone and clarinet for 49 years.

Class in history of warfare scheduled

Missouri Southern's history section of the Social Science Department will offer a seminar on the History of Warfare during the fall semester, 1976.

The seminar will include the biological and social origins of warfare, conflict prediction, resolution and peacekeeping, warfare as an instrument of governmental policy, military technology, organization and techniques, strategy and tactics of



PAUL JENSEN

Jensen seems to be looking forward to what will probably be a very active retirement. He may still work at the Barn, if, he jokes, "they pay me enough."

Jensen suffered a stroke this year which brought paralysis to one half of his body. This has forced him to slow his pace to some degree. However, he is still teaching three days a week, and finds time to help with sound at the Barn theater. Doctors are pleased with his progress and are very optimistic for a full recovery. This summer Jensen plans to travel to Houston, Texas for an operation to clear his artery of the foreign material which caused his stroke.

Southern sometime in the future.

As to his own future, Capt. Thomas says, "It will be a pleasure to grow with Southern for the next couple of years. I think it will be a very productive and rewarding work."

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LAST CHANCE

Regalia does have meaning

By DAVID POMMERT

Commencement is approaching the 1976 academic year at MSSC, bringing with it a brilliant display of color as faculty and students don the apparel common to all academia, the ceremonial cap and gown.

The idea of academic dress was patterned after the robes worn by Catholic monks. These robes were originally fur-lined for warmth and extended well below the knees for protection from the weather.

Until 1330 the robe consisted of coarse black cloth and a black hood. This was changed by the addition of a scarlet hood lining for those holding a doctorate degree.

THE CAP CAME INTO USE in the 1500's to mark the difference between students of theology and students of the secular faculties.

Standardized academic dress was drafted by the United States Intercollegiate Commission in 1893. This code is still in use today, although it was subjected to minor revision in 1963. The code limits the length of gowns as well as the decoration that is worn upon them.

Bachelors' gowns are of black worsted material and are of knee length. The sleeves are of a pointed variety.

Masters' gowns are of black silk with closed bag sleeves. The length exceeds that of the bachelor's, going just below the knee.

DOCTORS' GOWNS are also of silk, but differ in that the sleeves are bell-shaped and the robe is faced with velvet with three bands of velvet on each sleeve.

It is also possible to tell where the wearer of the gown received his degree, as well as what degree he received. The official colors of the wearer's alma mater are used to line the hood or cowl, and another lining color indicates the type of degree received by the wearer, from white for the arts to the yellow of the sciences or the green of medicine.

All scholars must wear a mortar-type cap on their heads, and from these caps hang tassels, which also serve to designate one from another. The tassel can either be black or it can be appropriate to the subject. A doctor wears a gold tassel.

The display of rich colors makes commencement more than just the presentation of a few degrees. The distinguished affair makes it a satisfying climax to the school year.

Jackson speaks at convocation

By JIM ELLISON
Chart Staff Writer

Third and fourth world powers cannot be taken for granted anymore, said Colin Jackson, barrister and a Member of Parliament at the Spiva Art Center last week.

Jackson, who is a member of the British Labour Party, and an authority on Middle East and Far Eastern affairs told his audience that "they have become too important because of their mineral wealth, and they are becoming entities that must be heard."

Commenting on the current power struggle in China, he jokingly stated that one could always tell when there was going to be an "impromptu" demonstration by the large number of portable toilets placed on the streets a few days before.

Jackson, who has traveled extensively through the world, is no stranger to the United States. Since 1949, he has made 49 trips to American lecturing to numerous colleges and universities on international politics. He surprised the audience by his knowledge of small towns in the 4-state area by alluding to



RECENT SUNNY WEATHER has brought spring to campus and with it, comes nature's beauty in all of its splendor. (Chart photo by Jim Hamilton)

Neely elected to Circle K post

Brad Neely, sophomore at Missouri Southern, was chosen lieutenant governor of Circle K for the central division of Missouri, while attending the annual convention held in Little Rock, Ark., this month.

Neely and Russ Childs, also a student here, represented the local chapter. Childs is past-president and Neely is past vice-president. Both had retired their positions at the time Neely ran for the division position.

Neely's duties will include supervision of Columbia, Springfield, Rolla, St. Louis and Joplin high school and college groups, along with School of the Ozarks.

Neely will be the voting delegate for the International Convention to be held in Washington, D.C. this summer.

For the past four years, Neely has been associated with the Kiwanis-backed Key Club and Circle K.

The Missouri Southern Circle K Club has been chartered for several years but it wasn't until last year, under the leadership of Childs, that the club became active.

On group project is raising funds for the Muscular Dystrophy Foundation.

Neely stated that he is looking forward to another fine year for the group. Applications from interested students will be taken at pre-registration next year.

'Crossroads' due for distribution

The 1975-76 Crossroads, Missouri Southern State College's official yearbook, will be distributed May 3 through May 7 in the Crossroad's publication office in the College Union. The office will remain open 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. daily.

This year's book was under the editorship of Sharon Plummer with Becky Spracklen and Eva Conyne serving as assistant editors. A staff of 10 to 15 students worked on the annual publication.

According to Spracklen the yearbook will have a brown, old-fashioned style for the cover and pages. Students must have either a student identification card or a receipt to be eligible to purchase a book.

The cost of the yearbook is \$7. Extra copies will be sold after the expiration date of distribution.

Pershing Rifles win first in drill

First place was won by the Missouri Southern ROTC Pershing Rifles Lions Guard Drill Team in regimental assemblies on the Oklahoma State University campus in Stillwater during spring break.

Mike Monteleone, a sophomore, also won first place in individual drill at the meet.

Competition was against college and university drill teams from Kansas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, and Missouri. Harry Berry is the commander of the drill team. Major Frank Bridges, head of the military science department at Southern, accompanied the six-member group.

During the break, also, the Pershing Rifle Rangers, composed of eight cadets, went on a four-day canoeing trip on the Buffalo River in Arkansas. Accompanying the group was Master Sgt. James Campbell. Canoes were put in at Ponca City and traveled 60 miles to Pruitt, Ark. Members of this group are currently studying basic mountaineering skills in a four-week course offered in the ROTC curriculum.

Other phases of the class will be scheduled in the future and interested persons, other than ROTC members, are eligible to enroll. Further information may be obtained by contacting Sgt. Campbell.